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 RESISTANCE  
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**ELECTION**

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2005. The Examiner has required restriction among eight groups. The request is traversed as excessive. Nonetheless, Applicant provisionally elects Group II, claims 2 and 5.

Claims 1-10 are believed to be in condition for allowance, early notice of which is respectfully requested.

It is requested that the period for filing a response to the present office action be extended for one month to February 14, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee of \$120 any other fees which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 10-0750/TIP0015USPCT/AGK.

Respectfully submitted,

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